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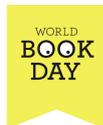
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Dear parents, carers, staff, governors and friends at Brindishe Green,

World Book Day news!



We are holding a Storytelling Week from **9 – 13 March** and have decided to hold our world book day celebrations and learning during this week. We will have a 'dress-up as a book character' day on **Friday 13 March**, so please have a think about your favourite characters before then. Look out for more information about what's planned for the week.

Ms Cairns prepares to run the London Marathon for our school!

This is to remind you that Palm class teacher, Petra Cairns, is running the 2019 London Marathon to raise money for our school. She is very busy with her training, getting ready to complete the 26 mile run on Sunday 26 April. She is raising money for Brindishe Green's outdoor learning and play spaces. Please donate and send her an encouraging message using this link:

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/petra-cairns?utm_term=d665gv45d

Good luck Ms Cairns – we are all supporting you!



Y2 SATs workshop for parents and carers

Many thanks to our Y2 teachers Clair Taylor, Kerry Smith and Emma Brookes who ran workshops earlier this week on the SATs assessments for year 2 children which will take place during the month of May. The workshops were very well received. Please get in touch with the teachers if you missed the workshops but would like a copy of the information shared.

Rights Respecting at Brindishe Green

Article 24 (health and health services): Every child has the right to the best possible health. Governments must provide good quality health care, clean water, nutritious food, and a clean environment and education on health and well-being so that children can stay healthy.



Coronavirus advice

We sent a letter home yesterday with advice from Public Health England on the steps you can take to avoid spreading infection. A copy is attached.

Government guidance advises that the most effective way for keeping hands clean is "Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after going to the toilet, before eating and after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing."

Following on from this advice please follow the link below for further government guidance if you have recently returned from abroad or have visitors from abroad:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-specified-countries-and-areas>

Supporting children's emotional well-being

We know that in order to enjoy and achieve, children need to feel good about themselves. In school, we work in many ways to support children's emotional well-being. We would like to share with you some of the ways we can all support children's emotional well-being and mental health and so we will be including regular updates in this newsletter.



'What's on your mind?' At school, children can put a slip in one of our 'What's on your Mind?' boxes around school to say if they would like to talk to an adult about how they are

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feeling. They sometimes ask to bring a friend to join the conversation. This helps children in many ways including giving them an opportunity to voice their thoughts, to manage their feelings, and to think about how to solve a problem.

Attendance and Punctuality this week

Best **attendance** from Elm, Redwood, Olive and Chestnut 3

Equal best **punctuality** from so many classes this week! – Ash, Walnut, Redwood, Palm, Lilac, Olive, Rowan and Chestnut 2

Well done to you all.



Advance Notice: GLA Mayoral Elections 7 May 2020 – Brindishe Green is OPEN

The Greater London Authority elections for London Mayor and to the London Assembly are taking place on 7 May. Brindishe Green school has been asked to be a polling station again.

As for previous elections, the school will remain OPEN on 7 May, apart from our Nursery classes. The polling station will be held in our Nursery classroom. Nursery will therefore be closed to children on Thursday 7 May.

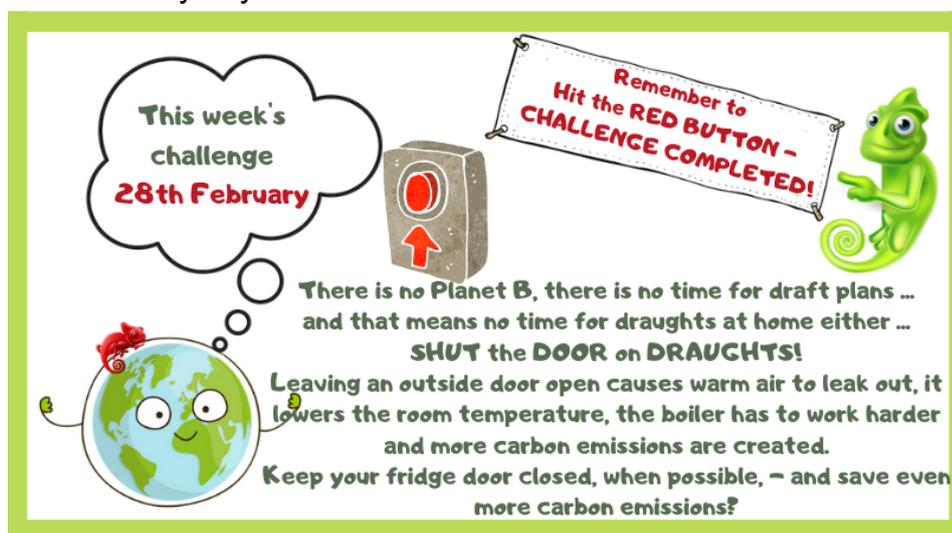


Sleep workshop for parents and carers

We will be hosting an information session for parents and carers on supporting your child to get a good night's sleep. This will be held on Thursday 26th March at 5pm. More details to follow.

Young Climate Warriors

This week's Young Climate Warriors challenge encourages children to think about where the energy comes from to heat our homes and power our fridges and to save energy by 'shutting the door on draughts'. We hope that, especially in this cold and blustery weather, this message will strike a chord with many of you!



Diary dates

4-6 March Challenge Partners at Brindishe Green

6 March Book Fair starts in the main hall - 3.15pm

9-13 March Storytelling Week and World Book Day learning – more information next week

13 March Dress-up for World Book Day!

24 March Y5/6 Athletics team to the London Youth Games final in Redbridge

26 March Sleep workshop for parents and carers

27 March BFG Spring Cake Sale 3.15pm

Best wishes for a lovely weekend,
Gerlinde Achenbach
Headteacher